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Madison, Wisconsin -- Stephen P. Sinnott, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Gerald E. Roggenbauer Jr., DOB: 2/20/65, of 2215 South Maple Street, Lot 420, Marshfield, Wisconsin, was sentenced to a period of six months in prison to be followed by a one-year period of supervised release, and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$2,078.04. Roggenbauer had previously plead guilty to unlawful use of identity information to commit fraud by mail.

Roggenbauer engaged in a scheme to defraud various publishing companies by sending false subscription request forms for unwanted and unsolicited magazines and other publications to individuals whose names and addresses had been used by the defendant without their permission. Forty-seven separate publishing companies were victimized by this scheme resulting in losses of approximately \$2,000. In addition, a number of individuals received substantial quantities of unwanted mail, including pornographic materials.

The case was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and the Marshfield Police Department. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Grant C. Johnson.